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Day 3: Made New

2 Corinthians 5:17: *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!"*

You may or may not feel new, but now that you have decided to follow Jesus you are! You are God's son or daughter, and He has given your life a purpose. It means that you have been set free from sin and death through Jesus death and resurrection and your life is now connected to Him.

Anyone who makes a decision to follow Jesus has a new identity. They are a new creation!

Galatians 2:20: *"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."*

If you are in Christ, this is now the defining truth of who you are. Your life, your story, becomes enfolded by another story—Another's story. That's one way to define faith: faith means finding your identity in Christ.

"I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

Paul, (the writer of Galatians) is unusually personal here because he wants it to be utterly personal for you. He wants you, too, to be able to say, "I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

To be identified with Jesus means you don't have to prove yourself anymore. Your frantic attempts to find or craft an acceptable identity, or your tireless work to manage your own reputation—these are over. And when God looks at you, He sees your identity in Jesus. This is freedom. This is confidence. This is good news!

[Watch our 2:05 min video to learn more!](#)

REFLECT:

1. Take some time to reflect on what it means to you that you are now identified with Jesus?
2. What areas of your life would you most like to reflect Jesus?



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